on 5th April 2005. Prior to this, the Commission had been functioning under different Chairpersons appointed by the Government, from time to time. In the last three years, the commission had met 65 times and considered over 1200 proposals.

(c) The Government has strengthened the Commission by appointment of experts in the field of conservation, architectural history, landscape architecture etc. to the three vacant post of part time Members.

Progress of Metro Rail

3385. SHRI ANAND SHARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the progress registered by the Metro Rail Corporation towards completion of Connaught Place-Dwarka corridor; and

(b) by when Metro Rail would be extended to Gurgaon and NOIDA?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Upto 31.3.2005, Delhi Metro Rail Corporation Ltd. (DMRC) has completed 77% of civil works on Connaught Place-Dwarka Corridor. Overall progress, including electrical and signalling works, is 45%.

(b) There are no firm proposals at present.

Task Force for Rehabilitation Colonies

3386. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have constitued a Task Force to look into the problems being faced by residents of rehabilitation colonies in the wake of demolitions in Lajpat Nagar, Delhi in 2002;

(b) whether the Task Force was to submit its report in two months but the same has not been submitted till date resulting in demolitions continuing in various rehabilitation colonies of Delhi;

(c) by when the Task Force would submit its report; and

(d) whether the proposals of Influence Zone in the metro corridors and relaxed height and FAR norms as in Master Plan 2021 have been considered for incorporation in the report?

THE MINISTER Of URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) The Lieutenant Governor of Delhi, constituted a Task Force in the year 2002 under the chairmanship of the Vice-Chairman, Delhi Development Authority with the following terms of reference:—

(i) To secure execution of supplementary lease deeds, after having the constructions surveyed;

(ii) To examine whether additional construction may be permitted within the limits set out in the liberalized building bye-laws now prevalent, the infrastructural support available and environmental parameters and to recommend the precise details.

(iii) Any other issue considered relevant.

(b) and (c) The Task Force was to endeavour to complete its work within a period of two months. It is informed that the report has not been finalized. No time frame for submission of the report has been indicated.

(d) Does not arise in view of reply to (b) & (c) above.

Stray Animals

†3387. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that common people are unsafe in the cities due to stray animals on roads;

(b) the action Government have taken to tackle the situation;

(c) whether Government propose to frame some stringent law beside penalty so as to deal with the situation;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.